

REQUIREMENTS FOR STRUCTURED ENGLISH IMMERSION, K – 12 ENDORSEMENTS

ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION – CERTIFICATION UNIT

FROM AND AFTER AUGUST 31, 2006 A STRUCTURED ENGLISH IMMERSION (SEI) ENDORSEMENT, FULL ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL) ENDORSEMENT, OR FULL BILINGUAL ENDORSEMENT IS REQUIRED OF ALL CLASSROOM TEACHERS, SUPERVISORS, PRINCIPALS, AND SUPERINTENDENTS. ALL COURSEWORK/TRAINING MUST BE ON THE ARIZONA ENGLISH ACQUISITION SERVICES (EAS) "STRUCTURED ENGLISH IMMERSION (SEI) ARIZONA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION APPROVED FRAMEWORKS" LISTS. FROM AND AFTER AUGUST 31, 2006 TEACHERS, SUPERVISORS, PRINCIPALS, AND SUPERINTENDENTS COMPLETING PROFESSIONAL PREPARATION PROGRAMS FROM OUT-OF-STATE INSTITUTIONS WHO QUALIFY FOR ISSUANCE OF AN ARIZONA CERTIFICATE HAVE ONE YEAR FROM THE DATE-OF-ISSUANCE OF THE CERTIFICATE TO MEET THE PROVISIONAL OR FULL SEI REQUIREMENTS.

➤ **Provisional Structured English Immersion, K-12 Endorsement**

The Provisional endorsement is valid for 3 years and is not renewable.

Requirements for the Provisional Structured English Immersion (SEI) endorsement are:

1. Completed **Application for Endorsement**
2. Appropriate Fee (See **Application for Endorsement**)
3. One of the following:
 - A. A photocopy of your valid Arizona **IVP** fingerprint card (plastic) issued on or after January 1, 2008.
 - OR -
 - B. A photocopy of your valid Arizona fingerprint clearance card (plastic) issued prior to January 1, 2008.

NOTE: Effective January 1, 2008, per Arizona State Statute A.R.S. § 15-106, an applicant who applies for a teaching certificate shall submit an **Identity Verified Prints (IVP)** Fingerprint card. "Non-IVP" Arizona fingerprint clearance cards issued on or after January 1, 2008 will NOT be accepted.

4. A valid Arizona Elementary, Secondary, Special Education, Early Childhood, Arts Education, Career and Technical Education, Supervisor, Principal, or Superintendent certificate.
5. Verification of state approved Structured English Immersion (SEI) training or comparable state approved SEI training from another state to qualify for the Provisional SEI endorsement. Option A if certified before August 31, 2006.
Option B if certified on or after August 31, 2006:
 - A. Verification of one (1) semester hour or fifteen (15) clock hours of state approved SEI training.
 - B. Verification of three (3) semester hours or forty-five (45) clock hours of state approved SEI training.

NOTE: The Provisional SEI endorsement is valid for three years. An additional three semester hours of state approved SEI training will be required to qualify for the Full SEI endorsement. Individuals who hold an Arizona Full Bilingual or Full ESL endorsement are exempt from the SEI endorsement requirement. The requirement for a Provisional SEI endorsement may be waived for a period not to exceed one year for individuals who graduate from administrator or teacher preparation programs that are not approved by the Arizona State Board of Education and meet all other applicable certification requirements.

➤ **Full Structured English Immersion, K-12 Endorsement**

The Full Endorsement shall be automatically renewed with the certificate on which it is posted.

Requirements for the Full Structured English Immersion endorsement are:

1. Completed **Application for Endorsement**
2. Appropriate fee (see Application for Endorsement)
3. One of the following:
 - A. A photocopy of your valid Arizona **IVP** fingerprint card (plastic) issued on or after January 1, 2008.
 - OR -
 - B. A photocopy of your valid Arizona fingerprint clearance card (plastic) issued prior to January 1, 2008.

NOTE: Effective January 1, 2008, per Arizona State Statute A.R.S. § 15-106, an applicant who applies for a teaching certificate shall submit an **Identity Verified Prints (IVP)** Fingerprint card. "Non-IVP" Arizona fingerprint clearance cards issued on or after January 1, 2008 will NOT be accepted.

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4. A valid Arizona Elementary, Secondary, Special Education, Career and Technical Education, Supervisor, Principal, or Superintendent certificate.
5. Verification of 3 semester hours or 45 clock hours of state approved Structured English Immersion (SEI) training or comparable state approved SEI training from another state to qualify for the Full SEI endorsement.

NOTE: Individuals who hold a Full Bilingual or Full ESL endorsement are exempt from the SEI endorsement requirement.

➤ **RECIPROCITY FOR STRUCTURED ENGLISH IMMERSION, K-12 ENDORSEMENT**

The requirements for a Provisional SEI endorsement may be waived for a period not to exceed one year in accordance with certification reciprocity as prescribed in A.A.C. R7-2-619. If the valid out-of-state certificate submitted was issued prior to August 31, 2006, verification of one (1) semester hour or 15 clock hours of state approved SEI training is required. If the valid out-of-state certificate submitted was issued on or after August 31, 2006, verification of three (3) semester hours or 45 clock hours of state approved SEI training is required.

➤ **FIRST TIME ISSUANCES OF A PROVISIONAL OR ADMINISTRATOR CERTIFICATE (OUT-OF-STATE GRADUATES ONLY)**

The requirements for a Provisional SEI endorsement may be waived for a period not to exceed one year for first time issuances of a Provisional or Administrator certificates for applicants graduating from out-of-state teacher/administrator preparation programs only.

➤ **FIRST TIME ISSUANCES OF A PROVISIONAL CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION CERTIFICATE**

The requirements for a Provisional SEI endorsement may be waived for a period not to exceed one year for first time issuances of a Provisional Career and Technical Education certificate for applicants qualifying under options A, C or D only.

➤ **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

Those classroom teachers, supervisors, principals, and superintendents holding a Full English as a Second Language (ESL) endorsement or a Full Bilingual endorsement do not need to obtain the Full SEI endorsement, however nothing in this rule prevents school districts from requiring certified staff to obtain a SEI Endorsement in addition to an ESL or Bilingual endorsement as a condition of employment. (R7-2-613 J.1 & 4)

For a listing of State Board approved SEI endorsement training/coursework please visit: <https://www.ade.az.gov/oelas/>

Arizona State Board of Education Approved SEI Endorsement Training:

- [Local Education Agencies \(LEAs\)](https://www.ade.az.gov/oelas/downloads/LEAs.pdf) (<https://www.ade.az.gov/oelas/downloads/LEAs.pdf>)
- [Individual Trainers & Educational Service Agencies](https://www.ade.az.gov/oelas/downloads/IndividualTrainersEducationalServiceAgencies.pdf) (<https://www.ade.az.gov/oelas/downloads/IndividualTrainersEducationalServiceAgencies.pdf>)
- [Institutes of Higher Learning](https://www.ade.az.gov/oelas/downloads/InstitutesofHigherLearning.pdf) (<https://www.ade.az.gov/oelas/downloads/InstitutesofHigherLearning.pdf>)